



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

FURUSE et al.

Group Art Unit: 1725

Application No.: 09/940,603

Examiner: K. Lin

Filed: August 29, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 106145-00021

For: METHOD FOR JOINING FRAME MEMBERS

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 13, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month for response to the Advisory Action dated September 25, 2003, which corresponds to the outstanding Office Action dated June 11, 2003 from September 11, 2003 to October 13, 2003 (October 11, 2003 being a Saturday). Attached is our check in the amount of \$880.00 to cover the fees for the extension of time and Request for Continued Examination.

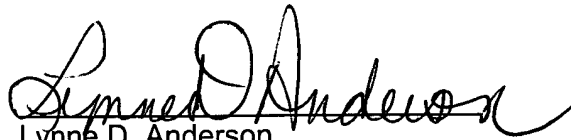
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket number 106145-00021.

Respectfully submitted,

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